

REMARKS

Applicants have now had an opportunity to consider the Examiner's action mailed January 23, 2007.

Re-examination and reconsideration of the Application are respectfully requested.

The Office Action

Claims 1-28 were presented for examination.

Applicants gratefully acknowledge the indication of allowability of claims 9-15 and 17-19.

Claims 1-8 and 21-28 stand rejected.

Telephonic Interview

Applicants gratefully acknowledge the Examiner's time during a telephonic interview of January 17, 2007. The Examiner has filed a communication responding to that telephonic interview. It is noted agreement was not reached to various topics discussed therein.

Remaining Claims Are Now In Condition For Allowance

Applicant has reviewed the Examiner's comments and observations. In order to move the prosecution of the present application forward, Applicants are canceling claims 1-8 and 21-28 from the present application (claim 16 and claim 20 have been previously canceled.)

In view of this, independent claims 9 and 17 remain in the application. These claims were noted to be in condition for allowance. Additionally maintained are dependent claims 10-15, 18 and 19, which depend from the aforementioned independent claims.

In the previous amendment filed on November 8, 2006, claim 9 was amended to include language from now-canceled claim 16, which noted a particular one of the N electrodes, i.e., at least one of the N electrodes floats, to increase a correlation region. Also in that amendment, claim 17 was amended to include language from now-canceled claim 20, noting that a capacitive layer is coupled to the resistive sheet,

allowing a correlation region to depend on time. A minor amendment has been made to claim 10 to acknowledge the situation where at least one of the electrodes floats.

In view of the Applicants' amendments, it is submitted all claims remaining in the application are now in condition for allowance. Applicants respectfully note the amendments are being made to move prosecution forward. However, Applicants do not wish the amendments to be interpreted as acquiescence to the Examiner's positions as to the interpretation of the cited references for rejection of the present claims. Again, rather, the amendments are made simply to move the prosecution forward to gain allowance of the present application.

Applicants also acknowledge the indication in the Office Action that the drawings are in proper form.

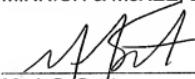
CONCLUSION

For the reasons detailed above, it is submitted the present application is now in condition for allowance. An early notice to that effect is therefore earnestly solicited.

In the event the Examiner considers personal contact advantageous to the disposition of this case, he/she is hereby authorized to call Mark Svat, at Telephone Number (216) 861-5582.

Respectfully submitted,

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